

SENATE GROUPS NEAR AGREEMENT ON PEACE TREATY

Conciliators Arrange for Meeting of Democratic and Republican Friends of League

OBSTACLES REMOVED.

Democrats Ask for Part Authorship in the Resolution for Ratification.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Early compromise on the Peace Treaty was forecast to-day when an unofficial conciliation committee of two Senators practically completed arrangements for a meeting of Republican and Democratic Senators who favor ratification.

The meeting, according to present plans is to be held during the holiday period. The purpose is for Democrats and Republicans to get together and discuss concessions they will make.

The unofficial conciliators, who have been sounding out individual Senators without consulting the party leaders, said to-day that neither Article X nor the preamble of the ratification resolution is a serious obstacle. If Republicans will concede to Democrats part authorship of the ratification resolution, it can be agreed upon, these Senators declared, as it will thus relieve Democrats of having to admit surrender to the League forces.

Senator Underwood, who started the compromise talk by saying he saw nothing in the President's announcement of Sunday that makes conciliation impossible, is even ready to shelve the League of Nations if this should be necessary.

He said: "The people want peace, and there must be peace. My first position was one of supporting unreserved ratification. As we cannot have that, it is the Senate's duty to get together and try to ratify with mild reservations. If agreement on the basis of mild reservations is impossible, then I am in favor of the Knox proposal. To ratify the treaty and leave the League of Nations to be decided on by the people. If we get peace, I am not afraid to leave the League to another occasion."

"TIPS" ON DEATHS SENT UNDERTAKER FROM HOSPITAL

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your son's body. I think he will do it. He is a good man and not expensive."

"The heavy set man then spoke up. "My name is George H. Kelly. I am an undertaker at No. 337 Columbus Avenue. They all know me around here, and I'm on the level."

"I gave the case to him and then went home to tell mother how our boy looked."

Mr. Clayton said that Kelly had charged him \$120.

Within fifteen minutes after he reached home, Mr. Clayton said, four more lawyers, one after the other, had called to ask for the case. He said he finally turned the matter over to Harry E. McGann of the office of Gilbert L. Steiner, No. 106 Nassau Street, who settled the case on Sept. 12 with Justice Wagner.

The Department of Health through the Corporation Counsel's office will begin action to-day against those guilty of falsifying the public record in the Calles case. This action will in no way stop or interfere with the criminal action which will be instituted by the District Attorney's office following the questioning of the last of the witnesses in the case to-day.

Dr. William H. Guilfoyle, Registrar of Records of the Department of Health, concluded his examination of witnesses late yesterday afternoon with the questioning of John Fane, caretaker of the morgue and John Carney, the assistant to Undertaker George H. Kelly of No. 337 Columbus Avenue. All of the testimony taken by Dr. Guilfoyle will be turned over to the Corporation Counsel and immediate steps will be taken to-day to prosecute all those implicated in the hurried and secret burial of Mrs. Anna Calles, seventy-two years old, thirty-six hours after she was run over by a Terminal and Town taxicab on the evening of Oct. 9.

The Evening World's disclosures which showed the ease with which bodies could be disposed of without knowledge or consent of relatives or friends, already has set on foot a plan which will make it extremely difficult for unscrupulous undertakers to dispose of bodies without knowledge of relatives or friends.

RULE FOR FORCE OR LAW ISSUE FOR COAL GRAND JURY

Judge Anderson Recites Charges of Plot Between Operators and Miners.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—The

Federal Grand Jury, summoned by Judge Anderson to investigate alleged violations of the Lever Act and anti-trust laws by operators and miners, and charges of conspiracy by both, in connection with the strike of bituminous coal miners, was impaneled this morning.

Judge Anderson's charge to the jury was long, and in concluding he said: "Let your investigation in all these matters be thorough and searching and let your conclusions be a full answer to a question which has been uppermost in the minds of our citizens for the past few weeks; that is, whether the Government of the United States or a group of men shall rule this country, and whether we shall be governed by law or by force."

Judge Anderson instructed the jury to investigate charges that the mine owners not only conspired among themselves to limit the production of coal, but that they conspired with the miners themselves.

Judge Anderson declared that the Court's order to cancel the recent coal strike was complied with "in form only," and that for a month the injunction was "ignored and defied."

Judge Anderson pointed to charges that since the passage of the Lever Act the mine owners have made enormous profits and that these profits have been made by handling the business in certain particulars in violation of the Lever Law.

The charge quotes from a speech made in the House of Representatives on Oct. 29, in which it was declared that union miners, by joint conferences with operators, had reached an agreement that the usual methods of organized labor be utilized to destroy non-union competition.

\$4,000,000 FOR APARTMENTS

A sixteen-story building, part of which will be occupied by apartments and part by a new restaurant conducted by Louis Sherry, is to be erected at Park Avenue and 50th Street at a cost of \$4,000,000. Associated with Mr. Sherry is a syndicate of wealthy men, among them Gen. T. Coleman du Pont, Col. Benjamin McAlpin, L. M. Boomer, Dallas Baché Pratt, Arthur Coppel, L. L. Dunham and others.

MRS. THOMAS WEDS AGAIN.

Divorced Wife of Banker Now Bride of Composer Foster.

Through a cable message from Paris it is learned that Mrs. Lee Thomas, former wife of E. R. Thomas, has been married to Cole Porter of this city. Mr. Porter is known as a writer of music and lyrics for musical plays. "See America First," the comic opera, produced by Miss Elizabeth Marbury in 1916, and "Hitchy Koo" for Raymond Hitchcock last October, are two of the plays for which Mr. Porter wrote the melodies.

Mrs. Thomas, who was Miss Linda Lee, and a daughter of William F. Lee, banker of Louisville, Ky., was married to Mr. Thomas in June, 1901.

No Habeas Corpus for Mayo.

Supreme Court Justice Peter Hendrick today dismissed the application for a writ of habeas corpus made in behalf of Virginia J. Mayo, a wealthy New Haven manufacturer, who is accused by his wife, Mrs. William Mayo, of murdering her husband. Justice Hendrick ruled, however, that as bigamy was a bailable offense, Mayo could be released on \$2,000 bail.

Alleged \$11,000 Embroider in Jail.

Guillermo H. Berman, nineteen a former employee of the National City Bank, who is charged with taking \$11,000 and who, the police report, says he got rid of all of it but \$2, was arraigned before Judge Mulgrew today in the Court of General Sessions. Because his attorney was not present, he was held for glancing on Friday, and went to the Tombs Prison.

Sues for Breach of Promise.

Miss Madeline Daullay of No. 75 West 9th Street, through her attorneys, today filed a suit for breach of promise against John J. McDonald, a well-to-do dealer in auto supplies and oil at No. 278 Water Street. Miss Daullay asks \$50,000.

Old Colonial Home a Fire Victim.

The home of Edward Barber, Vernon, N. J., a Colonial mansion and landmark, was burned to the ground last night while Mr. Barber and his wife and the three children were sleeping. Cause of the fire is unknown. Damage is estimated at \$10,000.

U. S. Admiral Confers With Jugoslavs.

ROME, Dec. 16.—Admiral Andrews of the United States Navy, has arrived at Spalato on a destroyer and conferred with the Yugoslav commander of the Coast Guard. Despatches received by the United States Navy Department from Spalato state that the admiral will be turned over to the Corporation Counsel and immediate steps will be taken to-day to prosecute all those implicated in the hurried and secret burial of Mrs. Anna Calles, seventy-two years old, thirty-six hours after she was run over by a Terminal and Town taxicab on the evening of Oct. 9.

Austria Stops Railway Passenger Traffic.

VIENNA, Dec. 17.—Passenger traffic on the Austrian railways will be totally suspended during Christmas week owing to the coal shortage.

Clemenceau Ordered to Rest.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—The condition of Premier Clemenceau was reported to be satisfactory this morning. His physicians, however, ordered him to remain at home for several days.

Coastline Makes McCall a Judge.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Former Gov. Samuel W. McCall was today nominated by Gov. Phillips to be judge of Probate and Admiralty in Middlesex County.

MRS. KNOTTSCHNITT, ACCUSED OF FRAUD TO GET INSURANCE

Western Society Woman Charged With Presenting False Claim of Losses.

San Francisco society is agitated over the arrest of Mrs. Violette Kruttschnitt, divorced wife of Theodore Kruttschnitt, son of the railroad magnate, for the alleged falsification of insurance loss after a fire which destroyed her home in Mill Valley. She was taken from her apartment in the Palace Hotel at midnight and lodged in the City Prison.

It is charged that Mrs. Kruttschnitt filed a claim with the fire insurance company for \$6,000, and that an investigator for the company found much of the supposed furniture, rugs and other goods was not in the home.

The charge quotes from a speech made in the House of Representatives on Oct. 29, in which it was declared that union miners, by joint conferences with operators, had reached an agreement that the usual methods of organized labor be utilized to destroy non-union competition.

The same speech, he said, quoted John L. Lewis, Acting President of the United Mine Workers, when attending one of the joint conferences, as saying that as he understood the purpose of the meeting it was to wipe out competition "between us as miners first; next for the purpose of wiping out competition as between operators in these four states, (Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Western Pennsylvania)." . . . and then, if I understood the real purpose of this movement, it is that we will jointly declare war on every man outside this competitive field who will do anything in any way endangering the peace that exists between us."

"On the face of it," Judge Anderson declared, "this is a direct admission by Mr. Lewis that the charge of an unlawful combination between the mine workers and the mine operators is true."

New Jersey Urges Prompt Return of Coal Cars.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 17.—Gov. Runyon's office today asked manufacturers and receivers of shipments of prompt to see that coal cars are unloaded and returned to the mines for reloading. It was stated there would be a shortage of bituminous coal in the West for several weeks owing to railroad equipment having been moved West to relieve suffering there.

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BURGLARS IN NEWARK TAKE \$15,000 WORTH OF JEWELRY

Fingerprints on Iron Railing and Window Sill Are Clues—Three Places Entered.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 17.—Burglars early to-day forced open the safe of the Jewel Ring Company at No. 23 Marshall street and stole between \$10,000 and \$15,000 worth of platinum and finished gold jewelry.

The firm reported to the police this morning. Investigators said they, burglars gained an entrance from a front window on the first floor. An iron railing above both showed fingerprints.

Two doors had been forced on the second floor. One led to the establishment of Charles Eulhardt, a jeweler, where five ivory military sets valued at \$50 and a mirror worth \$5 were stolen. Two safes in this place were not touched. The door into the establishment of J. D. Delsert was forced open, but nothing was taken.

THREE KILLED, ONE WOUNDED IN GUN DUEL OVER GIRL

Doctor Kills Sister-in-Law's Suitor and Her Brother and Is Himself Slain.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 17.—One of the worst tragedies in Eastern South Carolina in recent years occurred at St. Stephens, Berkeley County. Three are dead: Royal Cotten, aged twenty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Cotten, No. 90 Columbus street, this city; John E. Bell, a young farmer of Berkeley County; Dr. J. H. Pratt, a physician of St. Stephens. Miss Lydia Bell, sister of Mr. Bell and sister-in-law of Dr. Pratt, was wounded in the arm.

Dr. Pratt is alleged to have started the shooting, killing young Cotten while the latter was visiting Miss Bell. A few moments later he shot and killed his brother-in-law, Mr. Bell, who was returning home. Dr. Pratt, fell dead almost at the feet of Miss Bell.

It seems that the young Charlestonian was a frequent visitor at the Bell home, where Dr. Pratt also lived. It is said that Dr. Pratt objected to Cotten paying attention to his sister-in-law.

WENTZ NOW AGREES BABY GIVEN TO WIFE IS HIS STOLEN SON

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else a barn hobo ready to hang up his hat in anybody's home and grab the first high chair he comes to.

"I'm the happiest woman in New York," said Mrs. Wentz, "there's the Christmas tree, out on the fire escape, and believe me we'll have a happy Christmas!"

Mrs. Grace Humiston, the lawyer who found the body of Ruth Cruger, is said to have been retained in the Wentz case some time ago. Mrs. Wentz gives Mrs. Humiston all credit for finding Arthur. But Mrs. Elizabeth Seaman, "Nellie Bly," the writer, is not at all satisfied.

"Nellie Bly" said she intends to consult a lawyer to see what she can do about gaining possession of the baby. Furthermore, she plans to advertise for the person who left the child in the Grand Central Station to come forward and reveal to her secretly the identity of the baby's parents. She said she would protect any one who came to her with this information.

"If I were positive this is the Wentz baby," said Mrs. Seaman, "I would be only too glad to have it restored to the parents."

She denied that there has been a positive identification.

New Justices Sworn In.

Three new Municipal Court Justices, all Republicans, were sworn in to-day in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn. Justices Edgar F. Hamilton and Adina Hamilton, Jr. of Queens County, took the oath before Justice Faber. Justice James R. Farrar of the Gates Avenue District in Brooklyn, was sworn in by Justice Scudder.

Miners Refuse to Work as World Comes to an End.

MIAMI, Okla., Dec. 17.—Several mines on the Miami and lead fields are closed to-day because the miners refused to go down into the ground with the prospect of the world crumbling to pieces while they were at work.

Prediction Distorted, Declares Prof. Portin.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Albert P. Portin, generally credited with predicting the end of the world to-day, stuck to what he said was his original claim—that general meteorological turmoil would affect the universe during the two weeks starting to-day.

Earthquakes, storms and severe volcanic eruptions, the professor declared, may be expected. But the world isn't going to end. Portin said to-day that his original prediction was distorted.

Fearing World's End, Woman Commits Suicide.

SALT LAKE SPRINGS, N. T., Dec. 17.—Suffering from a nervous trouble augmented by predictions of the end of the world, Mrs. Samuel E. Heaslip, a committed suicide by inhaling gas at her home.

Chicago Board of Trade Urges Treaty Compromise.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Directors of the Chicago Board of Trade have adopted resolutions asking President Wilson and the Senate to get together and adjust their differences on the Peace Treaty.

To Enrich the System Against Gossip, the Board has decided to issue a list of names of those who are known to be in the habit of spreading rumors. The list will be published in the Chicago Tribune.

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RELEASES SEIZED U.S. GOODS

England to Give Up Shipments Taken Before War Entered War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Great Britain is prepared now to release American owned goods seized during the war upon the establishment of their American ownership at the time the goods were shipped, the State Department was advised to-day by the British Foreign Office.

The goods, which include those taken from neutral ships during the enforcement of the British blockade against the Central Powers before the United States entered the war, it is understood, to include goods shipped both from the United States to Germany and from Germany to this country.

SPIRITS GUIDED HER PENCIL.

British Woman Draws Remarkable Likeness of Christ.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who in his lectures on spiritualism repeatedly has declared he has been in communication with the spirit of his son, writes to the Daily Mail describing "a most marvelous drawing of Christ which he says was drawn in a few hours under spiritual influence." Mrs. Spencer, a well-known in-law of Viscountess Churchill, is the artist. Mrs. Spencer normally has no power of artistic expression and he affirms that the picture, now exhibited at the Walker Gallery, New Bond Street, is "the finest head of the founder of Christianity that ever has been conceived."

STOLE \$2.50 FROM MUTES.

Two Held on Charge of Dumb Youth.

Charged with robbing two deaf mutes, Charles Hirt, twenty-two, No. 702 East 13th Street, and Frank Giff, the same age, No. 103 East 104th Street, were held in \$1,000 bail each for the grand jury by Magistrate Edgar J. Frothingham in Harlem Court to-day.

The mutes, Rubin Kabrinetz, eighteen, No. 45 East 93rd Street, and David Giff, twenty, No. 103 East 11th Street, were robbed of \$2.50, a fountain pen and a gold watch last Sunday morning.

YOUNGSTOWN BARS SHYLACK

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 17.—Declaring that the characterization of Shylack in Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" tends to incite race prejudice, the Board of Education to-day barred the study of the drama in the schools.

HAVANA ENTRIES.

RACE TRACK, HAVANA, Dec. 17.—The entries for to-morrow's races are as follows:

FIRST RACE—Five and one-half furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: SECOND RACE—Five and one-half furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: THIRD RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: NINTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: ELEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWELFTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: THIRTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: FOURTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: FIFTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: SIXTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: SEVENTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: EIGHTEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: NINETEENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTIETH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-FIRST RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-SECOND RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-THIRD RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss, 110: Al Hudson, 110: Gordon Russell, 110: TWENTY-SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs, for three-year-olds and upward, claiming, purse \$500. 100: Mac Iron, 100: Ben Ray, 100: Artie, 100: Hoss,